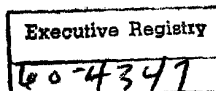


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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR:

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. I had a call from the Naval War College at Newport saying that your talk on 6 June will, of course, be strictly and completely off-the-record. However, the local press will try to get an interview with you when you land, and when you reach the College, and again when you are departing. They wondered if they should issue a ban, telling the press that you would not want to see them at any time. I told them that you would not want such action, that you can take care of yourself, and if the Press tries to see you when you get off the plane, or as you are entering the College, you will be able, with good grace and a smile, to say, "No comment," or handle the situation so that there will be no ill-will, which I think would almost certainly occur were they to say that you would not want the press. If the Navy in Newport is like the Army elsewhere, they would take physical means, I am sure, to keep the Press away from you, which would have just the opposite effect from what the Navy intended. Therefore, there will be no effort to stop the Press from trying to talk to you when you land and take off.

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PS —
The Providence JOURNAL phoned me to say that the Naval War College has issued a press release saying you will talk there off-the-record at 11:00 a.m. next Monday.